

Everyone's
different,
everyone's
great.



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CLOWN

Kocha Agasawa

正反対な君と僕

SEIHANTAINA

KIMITOBOKU

YOU AND I ARE POLAR OPPOSITES

CHRIST-
MAS DAY.

THAT
EVEN-
ING...

DECEMBER
25TH.

Fresh Cake #4
¥ 1,720

50%OFF

*approx. ¥100 = \$1.

Working at
the convenience
store even on the
most silent and
holy of nights...

TAIRA

...

WHO
IN THEIR
RIGHT MIND
WOULD BUY
A CAKE
HERE?

OUR
STORE
SERVES
LONG-HAUL
DRIVERS.
I MEAN,
LOOK AT THE
SIZE OF OUR
PARKING
LOT.

SO MANY
LEFTOVER
CAKES...



C'MON,
WE JUST
HAD
CAKE!

JUST
HOW
MUCH
DO YOU
WANT?

HEY,
CHECK
IT OUT!
THEY'RE
SELLING
CAKES.

Ha ha,
Santa's
here, too.



AH...



They're
making
a joke of
me...

Ah
ha
ha!

DAZE
ほい

WHEN-
EVER
I'M
WORK-
ING...

...AND
END UP
THINKING
ABOUT
THE PAST.

...I
JUST WAIT
FOR TIME
TO GO
BY...

...AND
WE'RE NOT
PARTICULAR-
LY BUSY
(WHICH IS
ALWAYS)...

HUH?

TAIRA-
KUN!

LIKE MY
FIRST YEAR
OF HIGH
SCHOOL.



HA HA!
YOU SPOOKED
HIM.



IS
SHE...
TALKING
TO ME?

HA
HA HA!

OH, HE
LOOKED
THIS
WAY!



UM...

SUPER
GOOD-
LOOKING.

YEAH.
YOU'RE
SO
TALL.

HEY
TAIRA-KUN,
PEOPLE MUST
THINK YOU'RE
PRETTY COOL,
RIGHT?



GASP

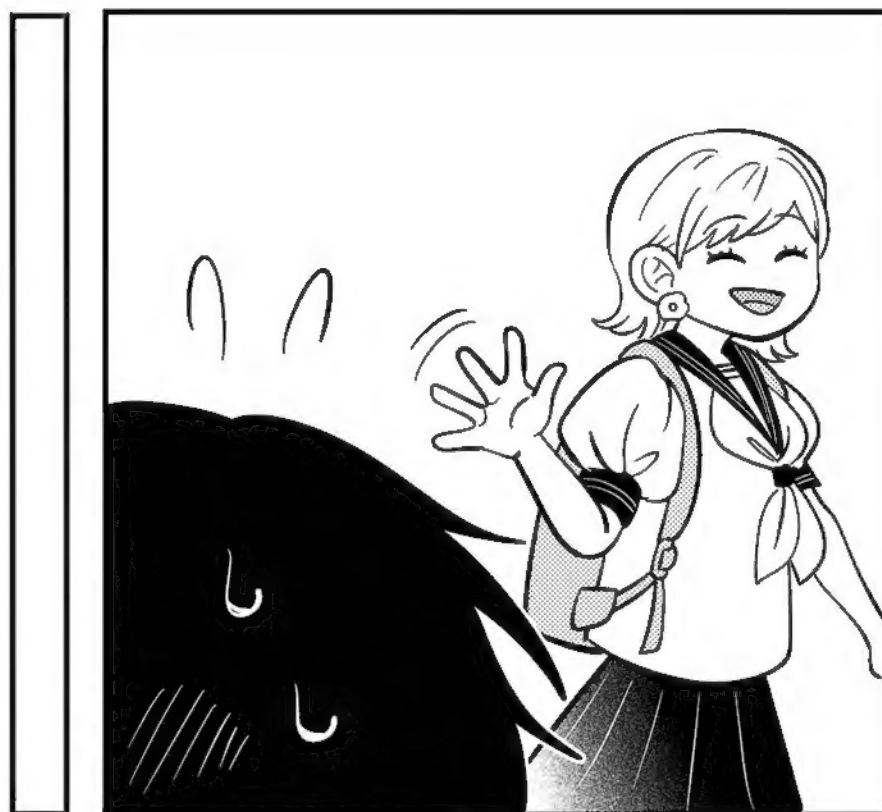
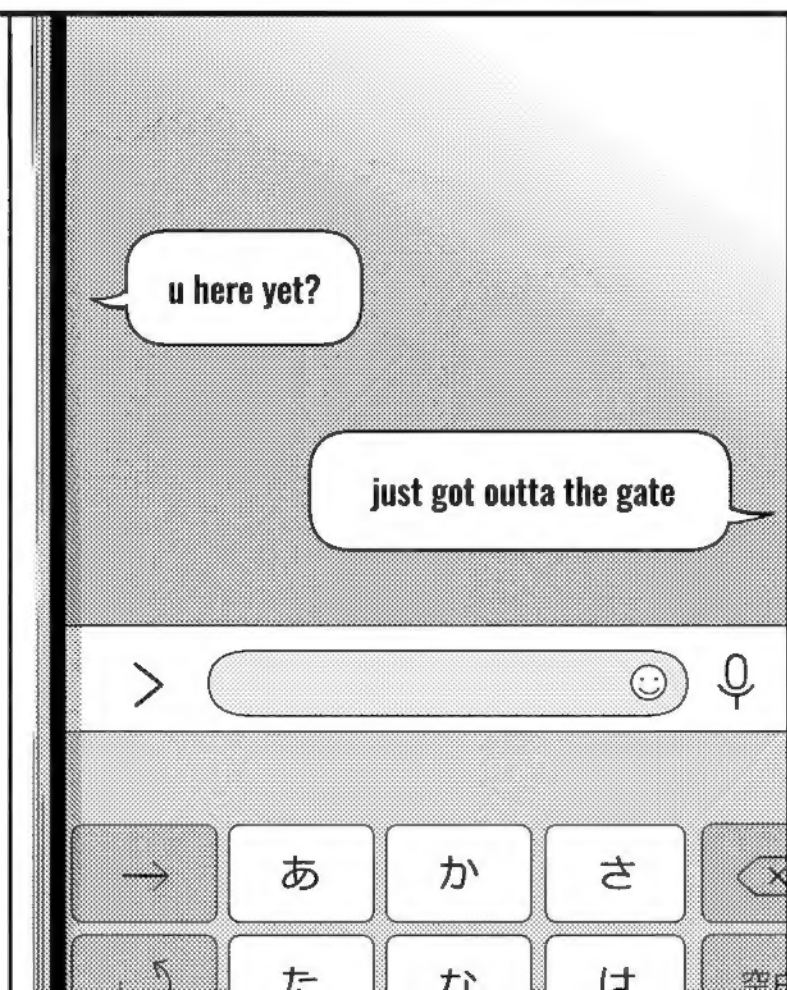


M-
ME...?

...REALLY?

Ah
ha
ha!







EVEN IF I CHANGED HOW I LOOKED ON THE OUTSIDE...

I'M SORRY, TAIRA-KUN.

YOU'RE JUST NOT THE GUY I THOUGHT YOU WERE.



AM I JUST "RAGLAN BOY" NOW?

THE GIRLS WOULD GIGGLE ABOUT ME IN CLASS ALL THE TIME.

GASP

GIGGLE

WHAT HAPPENED TO RAGLAN BOY?

Aw, come on! Don't bring up my embarrassing past like that!

RAGLAN BOY! HA HA!

GIGGLE

...I WAS STILL THE SAME OLD ME ON THE INSIDE.

I COULDN'T CHANGE MYSELF SO EASILY.

She dumped me after a single date...

BUUUT...

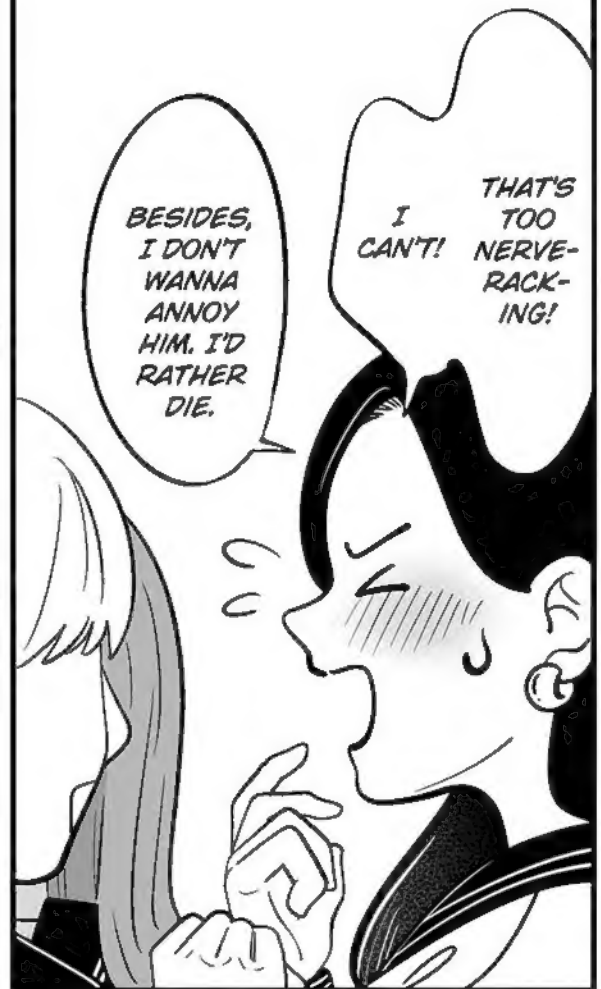
YOU SHOULD JUST TALK TO HIM!

HE'S SO COOL.

AWW, WE PASSED EACH OTHER IN THE HALLWAY FOR A SPLIT SECOND.

... THAT I STARTED TO NOTICE ...

IT WAS ONLY THEN ...

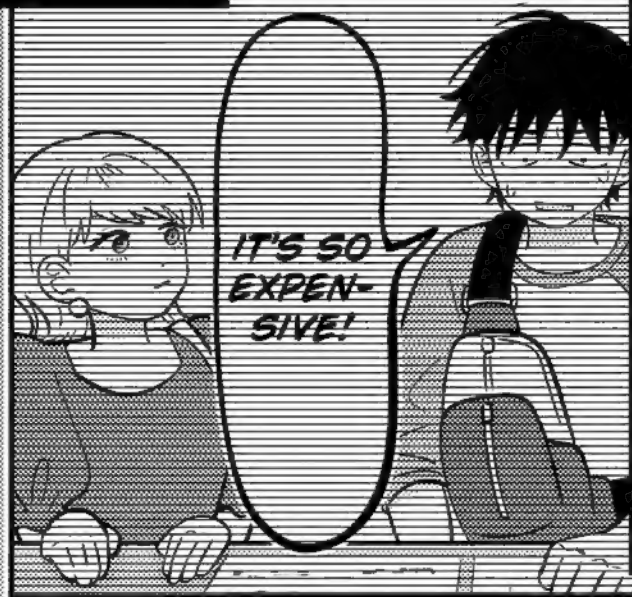


I
REMEMBER
MY SOARING
EMOTIONS...

...TAKING
THEIR
WORDS TO
HEART.



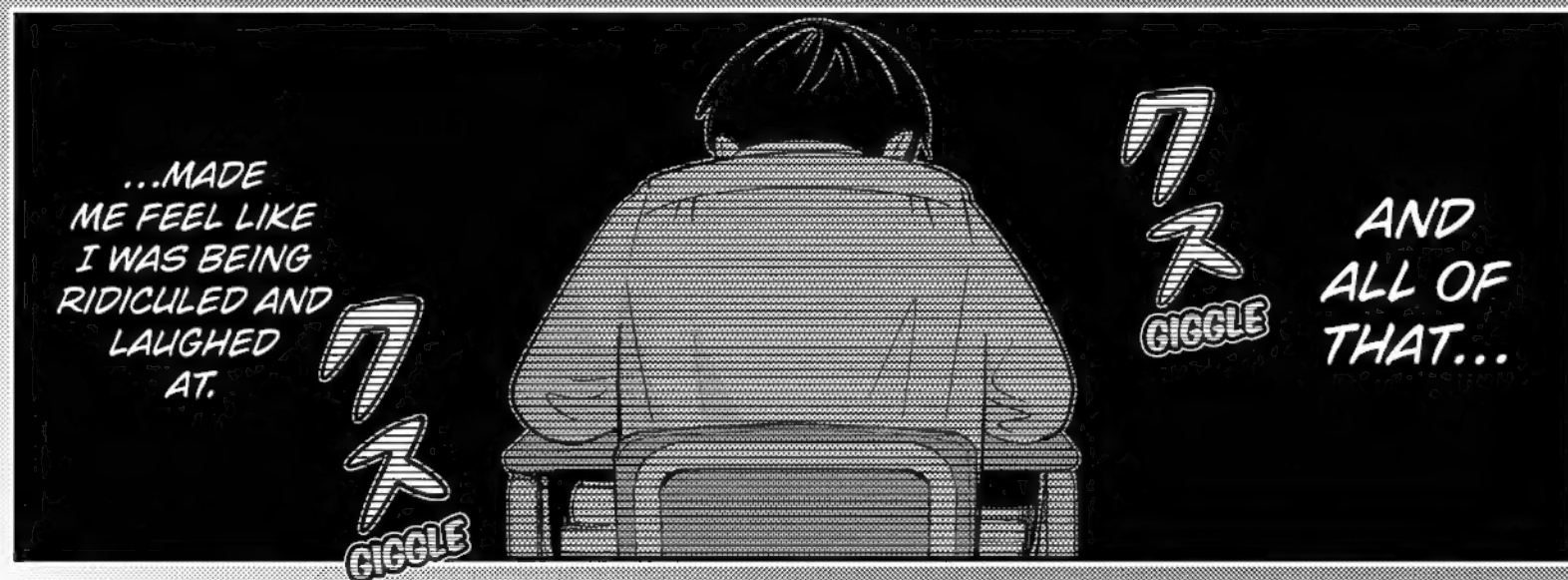
IT ALL
STARTED
THERE.



I
REMEMBER
THE
MOMENTS
WHEN I
LET MY
THOUGHTS
SLIP OUT.



I
REMEMBER
MY OWN
LACK OF
STYLE.



EVEN IF
I WERE TO
CHANGE MY
APPEARANCE...

IS IT
THEIR
STATUS?
THEIR
LOOKS?



WHY DO
PEOPLE
GET
TREATED
SO
DIFFER-
ENTLY?

















